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In re Application of: )  
Takeshi FUKUDA et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1617  
Application No.: 09/834,651 ) Examiner: Lauren Q. Wells  
Filed: April 16, 2001 )  
For: FLAKY  $\alpha$ -ALUMINA PARTICLES )  
AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING )  
THE SAME )

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

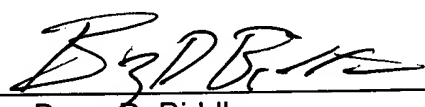
Applicants hereby petition for a one (1) month extension of time to reply to the Office Action of January 29, 2003. A fee of \$110.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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